



Media Alert: Press Conference - Fruitland Magnesium Fire Incident

LA County and USEPA announce the launch of a Community Information Center and provide an update

LOS ANGELES – Supervisor Solis, the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (Public Health), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), and LA County Fire's Health Hazardous Materials Division (HHMD) will announce the opening of the Community Information Center for residents affected by the fire. Public Health, USEPA, and HHMD will provide an update on community health concerns; information about the incident background; and an update on the assessment and cleanup of homes. Experts will be available to answer questions regarding the incident.

When: Monday, June 27, 2016
Time: 2:00 p.m.

Where: Corner of Everett Ave. and E. 52nd St., Maywood, CA 90270

The conference will take place outdoors in front of the Community Information Center. Limited street parking is available.

Who: Supervisor Hilda L. Solis
Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, First District

Angelo Bellomo, Deputy Director for Health Protection
Los Angeles County Department of Public Health

Experts from the USEPA and HHMD will be available to answer questions.

What: Community Information Center
12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Open 7 days a week
Corner of Everett Ave. and E. 52nd St.,
Maywood, CA 90270

Background Information:

Public Health, USEPA and HHMD continue work to make sure residents can safely return home. Home indoor air quality and soil sampling is ongoing in the homes impacted by the fire. Responders have met with all the displaced residents individually to schedule air sampling and cleaning of their homes. Cleaning has begun.

LA County is continuing to work with evacuated residents on providing short-term housing and other economic assistance.

For more information on the Fruitland Magnesium Fire Incident, visit www.publichealth.lacounty.gov. Residents can call the LA County information line 211, from any landline or cell phone within the county.

The Unified Command for the Fruitland Magnesium Fire Incident in Maywood continues response operations and assessment of hazardous materials in the aftermath of the fire that began on June 14, 2016. The Unified Command is comprised of representatives from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, and the Los Angeles County Fire Department Health Hazardous Materials Division.

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